

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Goose Creek Primary School
Berkeley County
Grades: PK-2 Enrollment: 955
Principal: Kathy Sullivan
Superintendent: Dr. Rodney Thompson
Board Chair: Doug Cooper

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2013	Excellent	Good	TBD	TBD	F	N/A
2012	Excellent	Good	N/A	N/A	C	N/A
2011	Excellent	Good	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATING OF PRIMARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
10	2	0	0	0

*Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/15/2013. Schools with Students Like Ours are Primary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PRIME INSTRUCTIONAL TIME

Our School	Median Primary School
88.0%	89.1%

STUDENT-TEACHER RATIO IN CORE SUBJECTS

Our School	Median Primary School
21.1 to 1	21.3 to 1

TEACHERS WITH ADVANCED DEGREES

Our School	Median Primary School
56.1%	61.3%

TEACHERS RETURNING FROM PREVIOUS YEAR

Our School	Median Primary School
87.0%	90.0%

PERCENT OF PARENTS ATTENDING CONFERENCES

Our School	Median Primary School
99.9%	100.0%

DAYS OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT*

Our School	Median Primary School
19.5 days	10.4 days

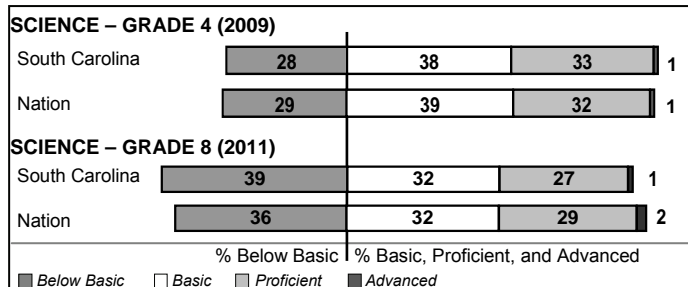
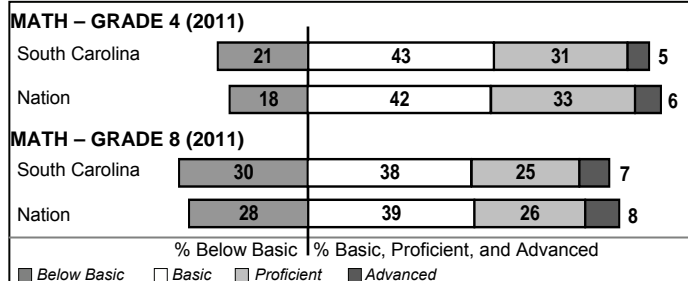
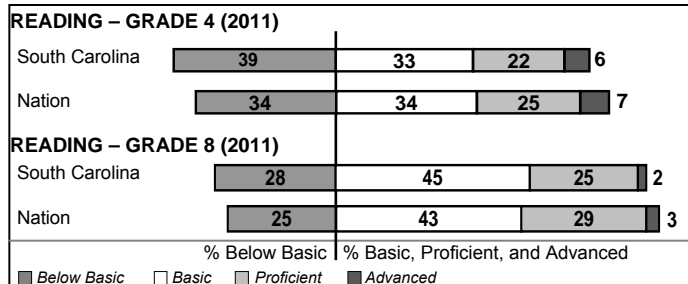
*Professional development days should be devoted exclusively to knowledge and skills in working with children less than eight years old.

Types Of Accreditation (More Than One May Apply)

	Not pursuing accreditation
	Conducting a self-study
X	South Carolina Department of Education
X	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
	American Montessori Society
	National Association for the Education of Young Children

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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Goose Creek Primary School [Berkeley County]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Primary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Primary School
Students (n=955)				
Retention rate	1.4%	Down from 2.0%	1.6%	2.3%
Attendance rate	95.5%	Down from 96.0%	95.4%	95.5%
With disabilities	12.6%	N/A	10.9%	10.4%
Older than usual for grade	0.6%	N/A	0.8%	1.1%
Teachers (n=66)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	56.1%	Down from 61.3%	63.5%	61.3%
Continuing contract teachers	54.5%	Down from 64.5%	85.3%	84.1%
Teachers returning from previous year	87.0%	Up from 84.6%	90.9%	90.0%
Teacher attendance rate	93.2%	Down from 94.9%	93.8%	94.9%
Average teacher salary*	\$44,888	Down 2.7%	\$48,792	\$47,358
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	3.8%	Up from 1.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	20.6 days	Up from 11.3 days	14.0 days	12.5 days
School				
Principal's years at school	5.0	Up from 4.0	4.5	6.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.1 to 1	Up from 20.8 to 1	22.1 to 1	21.3 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.0%	Down from 90.5%	88.5%	89.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$5,922	Down 14.2%	\$7,057	\$6,939
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	75.0%	Up from 64.0%	69.5%	69.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	71.0%	Up from 61.2%	66.5%	66.0%
ESEA composite index score	59.9	Down from 78.7	76.8	85.3

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers
Number of surveys returned	13
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	92.3%

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

In the fall of 2012 the Goose Creek Primary faculty and staff welcomed just over 1100 students. Our Open House event drew the largest crowd ever with over 80% of our parents in attendance. In support of the BCSD community engagement goal many of our teachers participated in the back-to-school Stuff the Bus rally which not only generated supplies for our schools, but garnered enthusiasm for the beginning of another successful school year. Our commitment to community engagement continued as we offered a variety of Family Night events throughout the year to raise awareness of our academic programs, curriculum and standards. Each grade level held a "Showcase" event where parents learned how our students' instructional program is guided by the rigorous Common Core State Standards. Students also performed reader's theaters, wrote poetry and shared their writing portfolios with their parents during this event.

Recognizing the importance of early intervention and school readiness we continued to prepare 120 students for kindergarten through enrollment and participation in the Child Development Program for four-year-olds. The teachers and assistants completed numerous hours of specialized training to further hone their skills in working with preschoolers.

One of the most exciting additions to our school this year was our School-wide Health and Wellness program created by the school wellness committee headed by Coach Daryl Norris. Mr. Norris was successful at initiating a health and physical fitness component to our Otter's Den after-school program. His efforts were also appreciated by the staff as he lead fitness activities for staff members after school. Under his leadership, our school was the recipient of the BP Fuel Up to Play 60 Grant. We were also one of the 12 BCSD schools recognized by the MUSC Boeing Center for Children's Wellness for improving policies and practices related to health and wellness. Families were also invited to get in on the action during three months of Family Fitness Challenge Nights. All of these accomplishments spearheaded by Coach Norris helped propel him to the honor of Goose Creek Primary's Rookie Teacher of the Year. Additionally he was selected as the Berkeley County School District Rookie Teacher of the Year.

During the introductory year of our District's Common Core State Standards (CCSS) implementation our teachers collaborated in Professional Learning Teams to learn effective research-based instructional strategies. Many hours of after-school training were attended by our teachers who sought to raise the rigor of instruction for their students. Additionally, three more teachers obtained their Gifted and Talented endorsement. Ms. Ali Little was honored by her peers with the GCP Teacher of the Year recognition.

This year our second graders "went live" on our GCP Morning News Program which helped increase their self-confidence, leadership and speaking skills. Goose Creek Primary continued to appreciate their partnership with Charleston Southern University's Athletic Department as our students enjoyed reading to team members.
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Jennifer Tobias, SIC/PTO Chair

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